

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD

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Restoration Funding Application

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Funding: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Federal Employee Identification Number: _____

Person Representing Organization: _____

Title: _____

Telephone: (____) _____ Email address: _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title _____ County _____

Funding Request \$ _____

Total Project Cost (include in-kind contributions): \$ _____

Project Location: Distance and direction from nearest city: _____

Assessor's Parcel Number(s) (APN) _____

Current Zoning and Master Plan Designation _____

Landowner(s) _____

Proposed starting date: _____ Estimated completion date: _____

Legislative District: Senate: _____ Assembly: _____

Project Elements (Check the program(s) that applies to your project):

- ☐ Enhancement or Restoration of Inland Wetlands (Central Valley only)
- ☐ Enhancement or Restoration of Riparian Habitat (Statewide)
- ☐ Habitat Enhancement and Restoration Program (General)
 - ☐ Wetlands outside the Central Valley
 - ☐ Endangered Species Habitat (Statewide)
 - ☐ Forest Land Habitat (Statewide)
 - ☐ Ecosystem Restoration on Agricultural Land (ERAL) (Statewide)

I. Project Description

Thoroughly describe the full project and clearly indicate which portions are proposed for WCB funding. Describe the existing condition of the habitat or property, the problem and how the proposal will provide a solution. Describe the resulting habitat(s), including acreage by habitat type. Attach location maps, designs, plans, engineering drawings, color photographs, etc., to help describe your proposal. In addition, all restoration projects will require the development and submission of a long-term management plan, and for projects on privately-owned land, a legal description of the property.

For riparian restoration projects, please provide the following information:

Estimate the total acreage to be restored

Estimate the length (in feet) of the project

Estimate the average width (feet) of the resulting restored habitat, excluding the stream (include the width of restored habitat on both sides of the stream if applicable)

II. Probability of Success

1. Was the area historically occupied by habitat comparable to that proposed?
2. Does the site contain the appropriate hydrology, soils, geography, etc. to support the proposed project? Explain.
3. Does the project utilize methods and technologies that are understood and well proven? Explain.

If not, is there an adaptive management component to the project?

4. What are the expected maintenance methods and annual costs? Is there a viable public or private organization willing and able to perform the needed long-term management and maintenance?
5. Please explain any biological monitoring planned to assess the effectiveness of the proposed project.
6. If a water source is necessary to the success of the project what is the short and long-term source and availability of water for the project, and what are the short and long-term water costs?
7. For riparian projects, does the stream have a natural flow regime, and if so, does the site get flooded on a regular basis? If not, can this condition be mimicked?

III. Project Significance

1. Is the project near a State Wildlife Area, Ecological Reserve, National Wildlife Refuge, Private Wildlife Sanctuary, County Reserve, or any other protected habitat area? Name them and indicate how far they are from the project site. Where is the project located in relation to existing similar habitat types of high quality? Please include a map showing the locations in relation to the project site.
2. Does the project provide or help establish a wildlife corridor, connecting two larger protected areas or areas of high quality?
3. Describe how the project affects adjacent land use and what may be the conflicting or complementary land uses. Describe how the adjacent land uses affect the project area, either conflicting or complementary. Also, where is the project located in relation to nearby or adjacent agricultural uses and what is being grown?
4. What species of fish or wildlife will benefit from the project?
5. For wetland projects, does the proposed project include such things as harvested grain fields or other non-flooded feeding areas and/or uplands for nesting? If so, please explain.
6. Will the California Conservation Corps be involved in this project?
7. Is the project or project site part of or consistent with any conservation related plans, strategies, studies or programs? If so, identify the plan and explain

IV. Public Support

1. Is the project supported by, consistent with, or in conflict with any local or regional plans? Identify the plan and explain.
2. If the project site is privately-owned, is the property encumbered with a Williamson Act contract or any other conservation agreements (i.e. conservation or agricultural easements)?
3. How does the project involve the local community or local interest groups and what type of commitments (cash, time, in-kind) have or will be made toward the project?

For ERAL projects explain the potential for the project to be applied to other agricultural properties in the areas, and statewide. Explain any outreach to other landowners in the area regarding the project

4. Please explain any planned public use of the project site. If none is planned, please explain why.

Will volunteers be used to implement the project, and if so, how will the applicant assure that plan specifications are followed?

V. Project Readiness

1. Is (are) the landowner(s) willing to allow the construction of the project and agreeable to maintaining the project on a long-term basis, if so how long (for most projects a minimum of 25 years is required). I
2. Has the applicant obtained the necessary permits and completed the environmental documents (including CEQA) for the projects? Explain.
3. Are there complications (hazardous materials, mosquito abatement, etc.) associated with the project that could delay the completion of the project? If so, please explain.
4. Have you contacted the Department of Fish and Game regarding this project?

VI. Importance of Prompt Implementation

1. Is there a significant risk that the site or resource could be lost to development or other human exploitation? Explain.
2. Will the project benefit threatened or endangered species? Explain.
3. Will the project solve a problem that, if allowed to continue, would be significantly more expensive to fix in the future? Explain.
4. Are other funds available and/or secured that may be at risk if the project is delayed?

VII. Complete this question only if requesting funds for the enhancement or restoration of wetlands in the Central Valley. See Inland Wetlands Conservation Program.

Which of the six objectives of the Central Valley Habitat Joint Venture is the project designed to address and how will this project contribute to the achievement of that (those) objective(s)?

VIII. Funding Sources

Provide a complete line item budget for the proposed project (see Sample Budget, below).. Include a complete list of all partners contributing toward the project and include: 1) all sources of cash; 2) landowner's contribution; and 3) in-kind services. If in-kind services are to be used as part of the matching requirement, please explain the type of service that will be provided, the number of hours the service will be provided, and the hourly rate associated with the service. Project proposals with matching funds

and/or services will be given priority. Also, be sure to identify any funding that is available for long-term operation and maintenance costs

SAMPLE PROJECT BUDGET

Work Item	Fund Source #1	Fund Source#2	WCB	Total Estimated Cost
Project Management				
Project Design (Site Plan, planting plan, etc.)				
Administration (10% of project cost)				
Materials				
Nursery – raised plants (if needed)				
Vegetation maintenance (irrigation, weeding, predator control, etc.)				
Project sign (show as WCB cost)				
Contingency (5% of project cost) – show as WCB cost				
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST				

IX Experience

Describe your organization's experience and qualifications for implementing this project.

II X Climate Change Considerations

How might the possible effects of global climate change (e.g., sea level rise; changes in precipitation and/or, temperature, and water availability, etc.) affect the long term success of this project?"

CHECKLIST

NOTE: THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO THE WCB A MINIMUM OF FOUR MONTHS PRIOR TO THE DESIRED BOARD MEETING DATE

- ☐ Full project description
- ☐ Firm cost estimates (Please indicate cost-share matches by other funding partners. Include in-kind contributions.)
- ☐ Management plan
- ☐ Time line
- ☐ Project location map showing project area (for example, AAA road map with the project area marked in red)
- ☐ Site map or other maps that may more fully describe the project
- ☐ Detailed project drawing (a sketch showing relevant features of the proposed restoration project)
- ☐ Photos of proposed project site (color prints that clearly show project features)
- ☐ CEQA document or notice of exemption (contact WCB for assistance)
- ☐ If the restoration project is to be located on private lands, a legal description of the lands is required, including the assessor's parcel number.
- ☐ Resolution from applicant's governing board
- ☐ Support letters (if available)
- ☐ A recommendation letter from the Department of Fish and Game (contact WCB for assistance)

Mail two copies of completed application to: Executive Director
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